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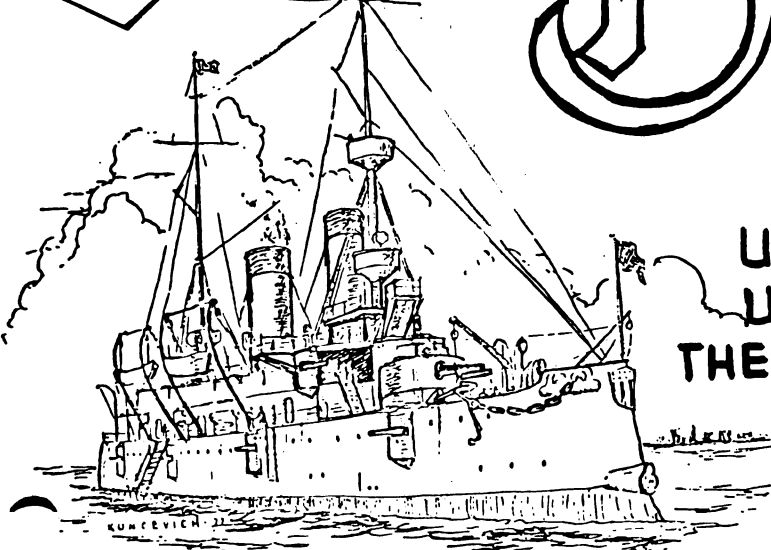
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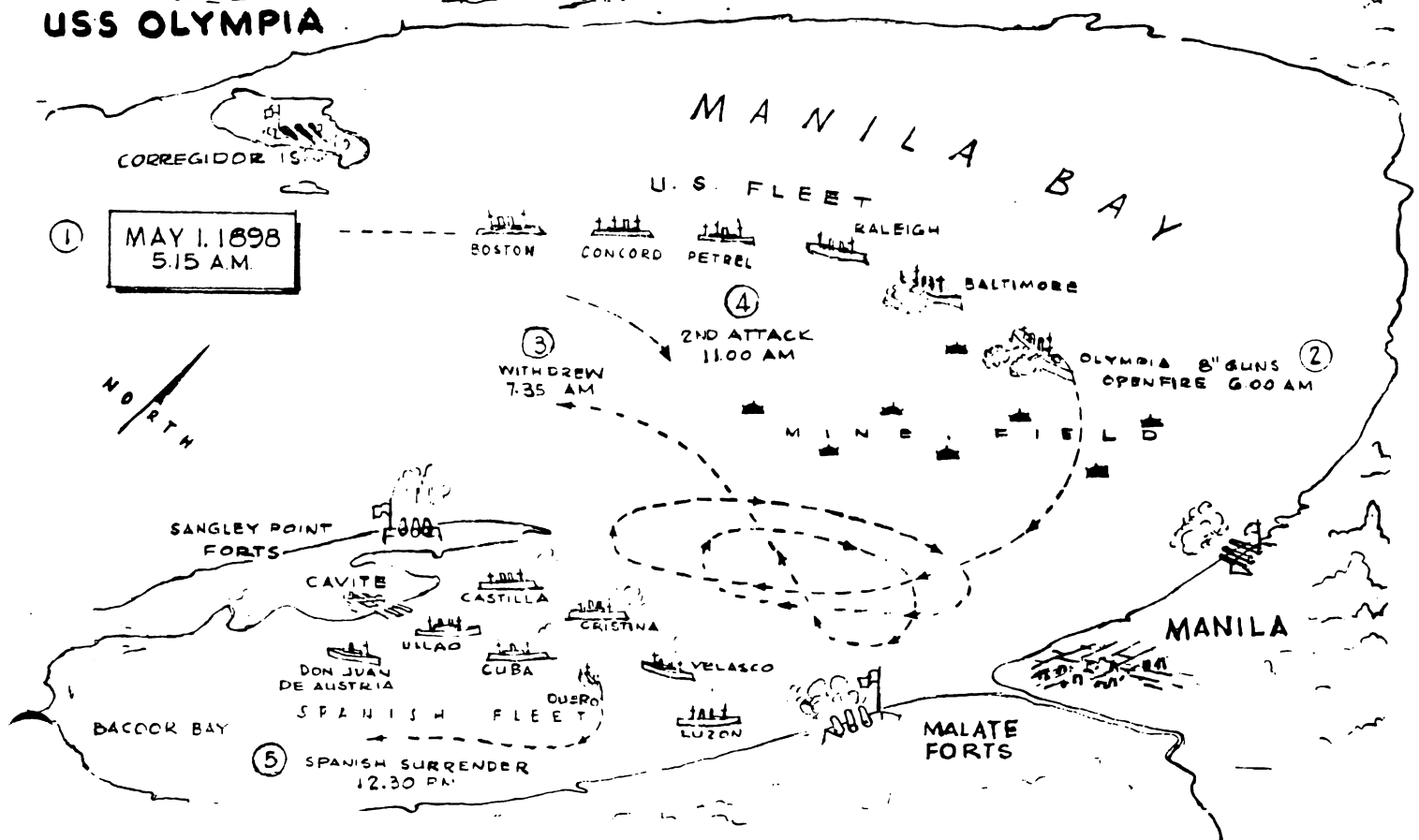
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U.S.S. OLYMPIA LEADS THE
U.S. FLEET TO VICTORY OVER
THE SPANISH FLEET AT MANILA.

USS OLYMPIA

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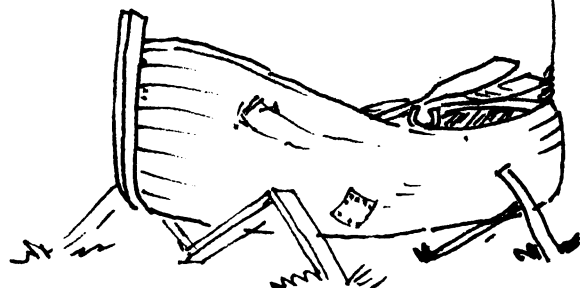
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meets on the first monday of each month (2nd
monday Sept. only) at 8:00 p.m. at the Franklin
Institute, 20th St. & The Ben Franklin Parkway.

ALL VISITORS ARE WELCOME

Phil-Mont Club Nets are conducted weekly.
Schedules and frequencies to be announced
bi-monthly.

Sam's CORNER



OL' "LEAKY KEG" AL
AND HIS "PRIDE OF DELAWARE
BAY," WILL BE IN DRY DOCK
FOR A SPELL... ALL TO REST-UP
AFTER HIS HOSPITAL VISIT
FOR SOME INTERNAL PLUMBING
REPAIRS.

The Prez Sez ---

Four months of this year have already become history and Phil-Mont continues to grow stronger. The surge of new blood and new activity plus the old, intermingle to continue to provide growth along with fun.....the Phil-Mont way.

We have some new activities to look forward to in May. For example, the Valley Forge Bike-A-Thon will be slated for the 17th, Sunday, from about 0830 to about 2000 hours. Phil-Mont will provide communications by covering that 16-mile event with from 10 to 15 operators strategically located to provide proper and fast assistance when needed. We need more volunteers for that day. NOW is the time to call either Jim, W3BBB or me. Pick up your mike and key down on 63/03 and tell us you'll help. PIEEZ! George has done it long enough.

I wish to thank all those who purchased the Gumbaуди plaque. That helps fund our Awards Committee. The initial order is for 17 unmounted (\$3.00) and 13 mounted(\$6.00) on wood. Both truly nice ornaments for your shack.

Here is another Committee which needs your attention and your personal support. If you have a flair for painting, we need a coupla men and women for a coupla hours on a coupla thursday evenings. We guarantee a lotta fun and enjoyment. OMs, XYIs and YIs, please, send me your QSL and let me know you're ready to help.

TNX es 73, Jake, AK2I

DO YOU KNOW THAT

under the tutelage of your immediate Past Editor your BLURB was judged "Excellent" in the ARNS(Amateur Radio News Service) 1980 Contest? Noted Outstanding were the Masthead, cover art and club information and report page. This is the second year we received a top award. A tip of the hat in the direction of Sam Kuncovich (Gee, I wish you'd get you'd get your call back) who has given so much and still is. I told you this was a tough act to follow. Thanks, Bob. (P. S. 1980 was the second consecutive year)

GLEANINGS FROM THE MINUTES OF 06 April 81

At 2000 hours AK2I did his usual thing for '81.

N3AVE's minutes were read and more or less approved.

W3UY announced a very nice balance which W3BBB will, no doubt chew into.

K3 AH-TEE-AH and WA3YVB performed their usual fine job with the prizes.

W3BBB made his usual plea for this time of year for operators to cover the Puddle-rama. While Jim had a firm grip on the floor and podium, he presented to the new members their Phil-Mont badges. Wear 'em in good health, fellahs. Jim gave us the latest report on the Repeater's new antenna and feedline, with thanks to those who assisted.

N3ADI gave a fine DX report.

WB3CMM cleared the muddied waters stirred up by the recent minor changes in net schedules. 2m, no change. Ten meter AM(29,493) and SSB(29,000) commence at 10 a.m. 75m SSB(3,993, more or less) at 10:20 and 80m(3,610) CW at 10:30, effective 12 Apr 81. Bill also announced the need for operators for the Penn Relays on 12 Apr 81.

AK2I announced that the Awards Committee expects to award some awards this year. Our Logo was displayed, nicely painted by KA3EMR. Thanks, Judy. AK2I presented a check for the purchase of new equipment for W3TKQ, and also commended W3PWG and K3RTR for their fine job on W3TKQ.

AK2I read a letter from K3SRO is fighting legal action in relation to some antenna work. He would appreciate any help.

AK2I requested operators for the Bike-a-rama on Sunday 17 May 81

W3SRU introduced the program for the evening, "Every Single Minute."

Then Rolly and Sam did their thing without which no meeting was ever successful. 54 members were in attendance, with 8 guests as follows; Bob Donchez, WB3HYB, Judy Pyle, KA3EMR, Marty Hertel, KA3APR, Alfred B Sampson, N2ASR, Sandy Santora, KB2VC, Phil Evaul, WB2SQD, Esther Greenwoon, N3AVE's XYL, and Jim Castellan, no call.

Respectfully, Stan, N3AVE (and disrespectfully redacted)

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A Billion seconds ago was Pearl Harbor

A Billion minutes ago Christ walked the earth

A Billion hours ago man was not on earth.

A Billion Dollars ago was yesterday in Washington, D. C.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE NET ?
de WB3CMM

This question has been asked many times, of and by, all amateurs, I'm sure. The answer, at least in the mind of this station is, "Nets are regularly scheduled tests of our ability to communicate on a predetermined mode and band as a test of our emergency preparedness." Sounds serious, doesn't it?

Actually, many of us utilize our license privileges on a daily basis, but there are many who do not. Much of our daily communication is general communication and "small talk," that makes daily commuting more tolerable. But Nets make available a structured means of check-in that has additional benefits.

Phil-Mont Nets, although formatted, offer HR Report, Amateur Bulletins, local and club news announcements, some DX, but more importantly, lots of good fellowship.

I would like to thank, personally and publicly, the many Net Control Stations for the fine jobs done every Sunday morning. I don't know of any nets anywhere that get the attention of the local community like ours.

"Phil-Monters get the job done and have a helluva good time doin' it!"
(sri, BBB)

TNX es 73,
WB3CMM

AND WHILE WE HAVE YOUR ATTENTION - -

NET SCHEDULE

MAY	75 m	10 m	2 m
03	W3PWG	KB3KAC	W3WXC
10	W3AOA	KB3IV	W3AWG
17	W3RCE	N3AVE	KB3IV
24	AK2I	W3GIF	W3ZPP
31	W3AWH	WB3CMM	W3BBB
JUNE			
06	W3PWG	W3KDO	WB3CMM
14	W3AOA	KB3CT	W3SRU
21	W3RCE	KB3IV	N3AVE
28	AK2I	N3AVE	K3PHC
	10:20a.m. 3,993 kHz	29.493-AM 29.000-SSB 10:00a.m.	9:30 a.m. 147.63/03

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DE N3ADI

HI, Fellahs, here's hoping you fired up those beasts and worked some of the many DX stations that were on the bands this past month.

Major Nets in operation:

DK2OC	28.750MHz	1200Z
Afrikaner Group	21.355 "	1700Z
W7PHO Family Hour	21.345 "	2330Z
" " "	14.225 "	2300Z
YL Sideband System	14.331 "	all day

(Members and non-members are invited to check-in)

Expeditions:

TY Benin. TYA11/N4HX is on and working stations.

The following stations were heard on 10-15-20 meters.

H5AK	4N7NS	S79RD	TR8DX
J5AG	EL5G	3D6BS	VK4NIC/3X

HAVE A GOOD 'UN, GANG!!!

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We have this bit of precautions from W3ZPP about Battery Packs.

HT owners take note; W8HW and WB1FOO have reported serious accidents with extra battery packs and keys. Carrying the packs and keys together, the battery terminals shorted resulting in a brief-case fire. One of our own members had a pack to short out while carrying it in his pocket. Fortunately, no fire. Keep nickel-cadmium battery packs in a plastic bag or envelope. They can develop very high currents and get very hot in a very short time.

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A N N O U N C E M E N T

Attention NorthEast Philadelphia Radio Amateurs. Dutch Treat Lunch-N-Beer Eyeball, on the second Saturday of the month at 12:00 noon at HB's Pub & Club on the east side of the Roosevelt Boulevard between Tyson and Cottman Streets, south of K-Mart. Plenty of free parking. All hams, Club affiliated or not are welcome. Contact: Al W3AYJ, ph. 725-2869 or 146.685.

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Contact Jim Spencer W3BBB 215-184-8409

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Marty Hertel, KA3APR, Advanced Class XYI's Name - Nina, no
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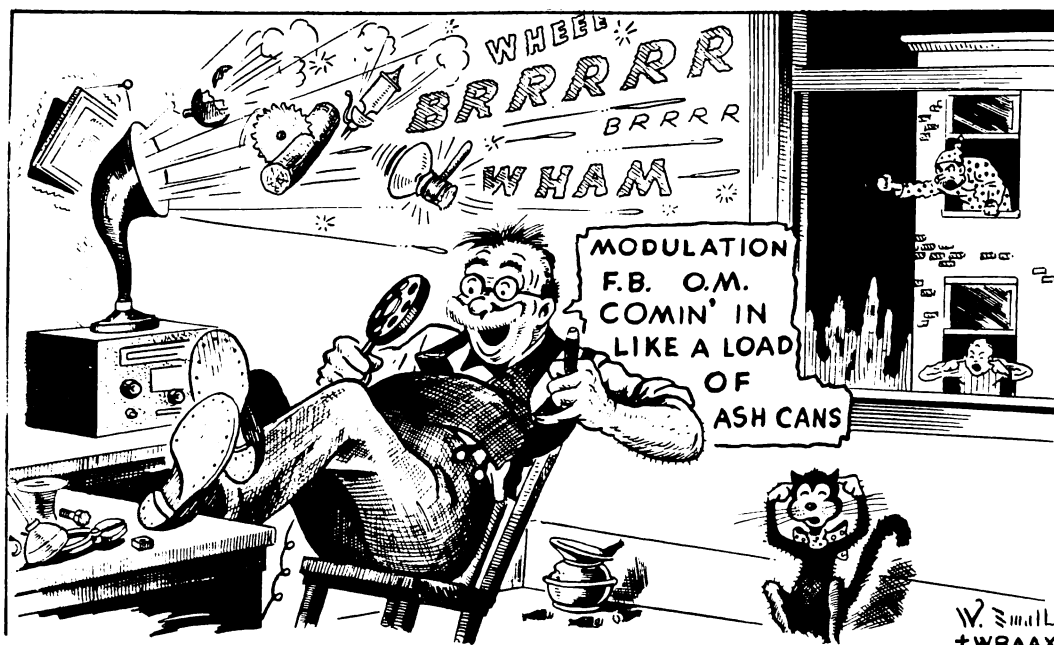
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We first make our habits, and then our habits make us.

John Dryden, 1631-1700

pages out of the past... QST



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from the back seat - - -

I have heard and read a lot of nice comments about the April issue which we accept as gracefully as we can because, you see, when you're this good it is very difficult to be humble. Aw, sorry 'bout that, couldn't help it, and the April Fool issue is history, but a lot of fun. It couldn't have been possible without help.

Our Intrepid Artist, Sam Kuncovich, who seems to bring out the best in us, and rarely the worst. Jim W3AWG, whose candid camera supplied the comic section. We'll be after you again, Jim. The Contributing Editors supplied me with the kind of material I was after. And last but certainly not least, those members who kinda permitted us to jab them in fun, all but one. It seems he is heading up a Polish Anti-Defamation League Against Rotten Editing Managers Ass'n (PAD-I-AREMA). Some guys just can't take a joke. Then there was another who started his comment with "Why dincha -- ?" Please, if you have a why-dincha, save for next Feb-Mar when the next Fool's issue will be put to bed. If you can't save, well, send it along, and we'll save it.

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Re. Tuesday evening Code Session Schedule of NCS on 147.63/03

April 28 - W3ETM	May 19 - W3ETM	June 09 - W3ETM
May 05 - W3RM	May 26 - W3RM	June 16 - W3RM
May 12 - AK2I	Jun 02 - AK2I	

This is for tearing off and I hope it includes your call on the back, thereby saving you some effort.

YES! I want one of those Gumbaui plaques to help dress up my shack. I enclose \$_____ for _____ hang clip type(\$3.00 ea.)
(how many?)
and _____ wood mount(\$6.00 ea.)
(how many?)

Send this with enclosure to AK2I,
and you will be helping the Awards Committee come up with some nice awards. They might have one for whoever buys the most or sells the most.

the blurb

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